

## Grandson of Enola Gay pilot gives 70th anniversary lecture

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## Paul Tibbets IV to remember his grandfather, share experiences of his own Air Force career April 10 at Bradbury Science Museum

LOS ALAMOS, N. M., April 3, 2013—Col. Paul Tibbets IV, grandson of Enola Gay pilot Paul W. Tibbets Jr., talks about his grandfather and his experiences as a U.S. Air Force pilot flying B-1 and B-2 bombers during a talk at 5:30 p.m., April 10 at Los Alamos National Laboratory's Bradbury Science Museum. The talk is part of Los Alamos' 70th anniversary lecture series.

Paul Tibbets IV is commander of the Air Force Inspection Agency at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, a post he has been assigned since July 2011. The agency

provides independent inspection, evaluation and analysis to advance continuous improvement of mission effectiveness at all Air Force levels.

Tibbets IV's grandfather, the late Brigadier General Paul Tibbets Jr., piloted the Enola Gay B-29 airplane from which the first atomic bomb dropped over Hiroshima Aug. 6, 1945. Tibbets died in 2007 at age 92.

Tibbets IV received his Air Force commission in 1989. He has flown combat missions in southwest Asia, the Balkans and Afghanistan and has more than 3,800 flying hours. Paul Tibbets IV and his team of senior officers visited the Laboratory in spring 2012 to share their stewardship and operational experience concerning the Air Force's nuclear weapons systems with LANL designers and engineers.

Paul Tibbets IV received his bachelor's degree in human factors engineering from the Air Force Academy and also has master's degrees in human factors engineering and national security and strategic studies from the Air Force Academy and the Naval Command and Staff College respectively.

Los Alamos National Laboratory celebrates 70 years of service to the nation in 2013. This free lecture series is part of a number of activities planed to mark the anniversary.

All events at the Bradbury Science Museum are free and open to the public. Bradbury Science Museum is located at 1350 Central Ave., in downtown Los Alamos. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday and 1 to 5 p.m., Sunday and Monday.

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